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### HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY'S NOMINEE REPRESENTATIVE.

#### EDITOR BRITISH COLONIST:

Governor Douglas is certainly a man of singular pertinacity, whoever has read Macaulay's description of James II. must really be struck with the idea of a resemblance of the dogged obstinacy of that monarch and our executive. I have no desire however to flatter the vanity of his Excellency with a comparison with a bad monarch of the Stuart race. The conduct of one brought him to the scaffold; and that of another to abdication, flight, an family ruin.

No doubt Governor Douglas has considerable knowledge of the science of government; is well acquainted with the character and genius of the English people, although his birth, course of education, and his conduct do not make his capabilities very manifest. No doubt he has gone through a training calculated to enable him to perform his political duties, and to be entrusted by Her Majesty with the government of a young and, now important British Colony. There is nothing "clannish" about him. He gives way to no feelings of family favoritism, no truckling to former associations, no aiming at a despotic style of policy.

But to come to the dead facts with which I have to deal. What can be a greater insult to the common sense of the community, than to pitchfork into the lower House of the colonial Parliament, a nominee of the Hudson's Bay Company? A gentleman who was born, bred, reared, educated, and lives in the atmosphere of the Company. Out of a House of seven members, four are Hudson's Bay Company men, either servants or interested in their affairs. I like to be charitable occasionally, and will admit that in the nomination of Mr. Barnston no man but a Hudson Bay Company's friend could be found, who would accept a seat as the representative of one elector—I will grant that it took a Hudson Bay Company man to do it. In saying this however I do not mean to disparage the honor of the gentleman who has obtained his seat as such an extraordinary representative for such a numerous and independent constituency—he is the creature of his position—although Genius might properly lament that one of her sons did not come in for a greater number of votes to strew their garlands on his political cradle. Only fancy the political aspirants of the British Empire, ye shades of Fox and Pitt, a representative of one elector. This is universal suffrage with a vengeance. But what must become of vote by ballot in such a case? The elector ought to have elected himself and not sent a delegate.

For what purpose has this nominee of the Hudson Bay Company been thrust into

the House of Assembly by Gov. Douglas? The answer is plain,—the Government want a tool—a sort of parliamentary machine to force through every measure which it desires carried, in the Legislature. With such a Legislature as that now constituted, the rule of Gov. Douglas is purely despotic, for he can force on the country any measure he likes. No more of uncomfortable protests against breaches of constitutional rights will be heard after this. Constitutional privileges are no doubt very annoying, and the sooner they are put a stop to the better, and who so good a man to fill the gap as a Hudson Bay lawyer. A new elective franchise bill will have to be got through; a measure must be passed that will keep the political power of the Colony in the hands of the few in order to create and support an aristocracy at the expense of the many; and another reason,—Gov. Douglas, no doubt anticipates the raising of a revenue, and the laying on taxation. All sensible men deprecate taxing the people of British Columbia by the arbitrary method of proclamation instead of obeying the injunction of the Home Government by calling a representative Council to make necessary laws, and impose taxes; but in this colony he avails himself of another plan,—that of a sham representation, and puts in a member for Nanaimo, who represents one elector, who will no doubt be found a ready tool to vote through a nice little scheme of taxation, resting heavily on the merchants, storekeepers, and inhabitants generally of Victoria, where nearly all the wealth and intelligence of the colony is centred. Will they submit to this? Are they in such a prosperous condition that they will allow money to be taken out of their pockets in so cool a manner as this? There can be no reasonable doubt that it is for this purpose and for scarcely any other, that a nominee representative of one elector has been shoved into the House of Assembly, and we can hardly conceive of a greater outrage being committed on a people under the semblance of constitutional law, and the sacred right of popular representation.

#### ELECTOR.

Governor Blanshard's Testimony before a Committee of the House of Commons, June 15th, 1857.

#### Continued.

Was it considered in the island that that Puget Sound Company and the Hudson's Bay Company were the same body, only under different names?—Everybody declared so; I could never discover any difference between them.

You mentioned to us that travelling through the island was difficult, owing to the forests of underwood; do you wish to convey the impression that it is so thick a jungle that there would be great difficulty in clearing the country for settlement?—There are large plains, which are more adapted for colonisation, as well as these belts of forest.

The forest goes as it were in a belt across the island; but unnumbered by wood, there still is a large fertile plain well adapted for colonisation?—The aspect of the country is a pine forest interspersed with occasional open plains.

Then the wooded part to which you have alluded as difficult to travel through, is exceptional?—It is.

Mr. Roebuck.—But surely wood is no obstruction to colonisation?—None whatever, and the size to which the trees grow there would render them exceedingly valuable for spars.

And the heavier the timber the better the land?—I believe it is always considered so.

As to talking about any obstruction arising from jungle, that is not considered by an American as an obstacle, is it?—None whatever.

Are you at all aware of what the forests are composed of?—Principally pine.

Does not pine usually grow in a barren soil?—It does occasionally; but also when it is cleared it is very fertile.

Is that your experience?—In many places.

Is there no hard timber there; maple, beech, or birch?—There is a little oak in the south of the island.

Is there no maple?—I don't know, I never heard of the maple tree being found there.

The beech tree?—The beech tree grows there but not in very large quantities; the prevailing timber in the island is the pine.

And notwithstanding that, you say that the soil is fertile?—The soil is fertile. I have seen wheat grow there very luxuriantly.

Can you state how many bushels per acre?—The number of bushels to the acre would sound very insignificant to an English farmer, but considering the imperfect cultivation, it was a very good crop; about 25 bushels on some part of the land.

Mr. Edward Ellice.—Is that in the country where you saw originally pine or hard wood?—Pine.

Do you know Esquimalt Harbor?—Yes.

What sort of a harbor is it?—A very good harbor; the deep water would take in a vessel of any size; the entrance is clear and open; there is only one rock in it, which is well known and easily avoided.

When inside are the vessels in perfect shelter?—In perfect shelter.

In any wind?—In any wind; it is only open to the south, and the south wind there is not very violent, nor does it create any sea.

Is that harbour of sufficient capacity to take in a large number of vessels?—I should think it would take in a dozen line-of-battle ships.

Esquimalt harbour is on the sea side of the island, I think; a vessel having recourse to Esquimalt harbour would have no necessity to go within the Straits?—It is a long way up the Straits; the entrance of it is 4 or 5 miles, or perhaps hardly so much.

Is it north of Victoria?—It is about due west of it.

Mr. Charles Fitzwilliam.—Can you give us some information as to what the Puget Sound Company is composed of and what have been its operations?—I was unable to understand a great deal about it; it seemed to be very much identified with the Hudson's Bay Company; everything was used indiscriminately; men came out saying that they were Hudson's Bay Company's servants, and it appeared that their agreements had been entered into with the Puget Sound Company; they were employed on the Hudson's Bay Company's work.

Had the operations of the Company been extensive as a farming company?—There was an establishment formed close to Esquimalt, which was forming just as I came away, which they said belonged to the Puget Sound Company, but the people who were on it had never heard of the Puget Sound Company; there was a gentleman of the name of Langford, one of the people who superintended it, he had never heard of such a company until he got out to Vancouver's Island.

What was his position as regarded the Puget Sound Company; was he one of the Company?—No; he had nothing to do with it; he was in their service.

Not as ploughman, was he?—No, as a bailiff.

Do you know what were the inducements offered to him to go out?—He was engaged with them for a term of 15 years, which was terminable either at five or ten years upon due notice; he was to receive a salary of £60 a year, and he was to be supplied with everything which he required in the way of labor, materials, and seed, and with those he was to form as large a farm as he pleased. I think it was restricted to five hundred acres, if I remember rightly. His further remuneration, beyond this £60 a year, was to be half the profits of the farm when it was established.

When he went out there, was he led to suppose that he would find every accommodation when he got there?—So he told me.

How was he received?—There were no preparations made for his employment; his

agreement was with the Puget Sound Company; for I saw it myself.

In the first instance you say that he was induced to go out as a settler by the representations of the Hudson's Bay Company?—He never heard of the Puget Sound Company till he got there, though his agreement was in the name of the Puget Sound Company; he considered that he had all the time been dealing with the Hudson's Bay Company, and he was not aware of there being such a thing as the Puget Sound Company till he arrived in the island.

With whom had he dealings; what member of the Hudson's Bay Company?—Chiefly with Sir John Pelly.

Who represented the Hudson's Bay Company?—He was Governor of the Hudson's Bay Company.

Had he anything to do with the Puget Sound Company?—I believe he was also Governor of the Puget Sound Company.

To be continued.

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## ACTION AND ENTERPRISE.

When we consider that the Government is doing nothing to advance our interests in the way of giving an impetus to the country, and the people are slow to exercise those constitutional rights which they possess, we cannot help comparing this colony to a vessel at sea without rudder or compass,—water-logged,—and drifting to and fro, the sport of wind and current, with a crew trusting to chance to rescue them from their precarious situation. What are we going to do? Are we to sit down and wait till better times heaven in sight? Or shall we set our shoulders to the wheel to get ourselves out of the mire, in which the longer we remain the deeper we sink? We confess that we are not of that number who are inclined to wait till Providence puts the bread in our mouth. When things go wrong we believe in exerting ourselves to make them go right. When business is dull we should try to make it brisk. We complain loudly that trade is stagnant, and that our magnificent expectations are becoming "smaller and smaller and beautifully less." If this result was caused by over trading, it would cure itself, and trade would recover a healthy tone. This however is not exactly the true state of the case. The majority had good reason to believe that the development of the gold fields of British Columbia, the current year, would cause us to teem with population, make trade flourishing, and establish Victoria as the great commercial mart of the North West coast, and ultimately the wharf on which should be landed the wealth of Asia and the Pacific to be sent by steam across the continent to supply Europe and America. In this we have been disappointed; which without a dissentient voice we attribute to the policy of the Government, if the manner in which the public business has been done, can by any stretch of imagination be called a policy. We admit that our sister colony has gold fields of almost illimitable extent, which will amply reward an industrious and numerous population, when avenues are opened, and the transportation of the necessities of life are rendered cheaply to the bone and sinew of the country,—and when the lands suitable for agriculture are released from the red tape manacles of Downing Street, or the besotted cowardice of a Government which fears to take the responsibility of claiming what is our own, becomes sufficiently courageous to place its people in possession of the lands which God made for civilized homes, and not to be left a wilderness in which should roam eternally the untutored savage in pursuit of a precarious existence. We unhesitatingly predict on evidence there is no denying,—that when an enlightened policy and the stamp of statesmanship is introduced and fixed in that colony, it will take acknowledged rank as one of the great gold producing countries of the earth. Placing hitherto our sole dependence on our geographical position and the yield of the Fraser River mines, we have entirely lost sight of mines of wealth around our shores, which are more certain and lasting, and whose produce will yet eclipse in wealth, and create more prosperity and happiness, than the fabled or actual El Dorado of ancient or modern times. Splendid Salmon Fisheries—every barrel of which will return \$20 for \$5 when landed in New York or Melbourne—are found for thousands of miles on our sea and river shores. For our vast variety of fish—in-

cluding the cod, pollock, perch, dog fish, herring and halibut—which we find a ready and remunerative market in China, Australia, California, Central America, and the Brazils. Dog oil can be taken in interminable quantities, on almost every part of our coast, which with Indian labor, can be ready for shipment at a mere nominal price. On the north and west the whale and seal are to be had. All that is required is to turn the attention of men of capital and enterprise in this direction to build up for ourselves resources on which the country may depend now, and after the gold of Columbia becomes a myth of the past. To these sources of wealth and industry we ask the bone and sinew as well as the wealth of the country to turn and examine; and if they will do so thoroughly, we are convinced that this attractive field for capital will be embraced,—and resources made available on which we can depend, and give an impetus to Victoria and the colony which will be a proud step in the march of that brilliant maritime destiny which is in store for the Great Britain of the Pacific. This the people can do without the let or hindrance of the imbeciles who manage the country with "rule and ruin" for their motto.

**QUEENBOROUGH SALE.**—Queenborough sale comes off to-day. It will be somewhat of a test as to the extent of confidence in the Fraser river mines. Considerable interest has been manifested already. We learn on good authority, that the article in the proclamation respecting the sale of reserves in England and elsewhere will be repealed; and that all reserved lots will be sold in this country. Instead of making the reservation in blocks, reserved lots are scattered over the entire city. They are to be sold at auction. Not one should be sold at private sale. Good notice should be given also, and no favoritism. There are 33 blocks and 439 lots; of 111 lots reserved 58 are corner lots, five or six being used temporarily by government, leaving only 85 corner lots not reserved. Regard has been paid to public health and convenience in laying out in the town six public squares and gardens. The model Surveyor of this colony assisted last summer in selling our squares and perhaps a part of the Commons.

**INDIANS VS. WHITEMEN.**—Scores of Indians are employed by the Executive at the expense of the country to improve the grounds around the new surveyor's office. These are paid in blankets by the Hudson's Bay Company, at 20 percent above par. Now we are disposed to employ white-men, in order to retain population in the country. If public monies are to be dispensed let it be given to those who are bone of our bone, and who will thereby remain with us to build up the country, with the proceeds of their labor. The Indians will remain anyhow. If inducements are not held out to white men who want employment, they will go. Moreover there is no saving to the public in employing Indian labor; and their wages is spent in swapping blankets for baubles, instead of adding improvements to the country.

**THE CUSTOM HOUSE.**—Mr. Angelo Receiver of the Customs was arrested yesterday on suspicion of being concerned in the Custom House irregularities. We hear that the authorities require \$25,000 bail. His friends say that he is not guilty of fraud however negligent he may have been. An examination will take place at the Court House, this morning.

**ASHORE.**—The ship "Morning Glory" for Valparaiso, got on shore yesterday morning on Race Rocks, but got off considerably injured. She is now at Esquimalt completely water-logged.

## TAXING THE MINERS.

We hear that Gov. Douglas is putting in force the system of taxation by proclamation—taxation without representation—in British Columbia. The officials are coming down heavily on the miners for the \$5 a month license tax. This is one of the causes of the miners leaving the country. No sooner than a miner locates himself to develop the resources of the country than he is pounced down upon by the inexorable tax-collector and taxes demanded from him which he had no voice in imposing or regulating, notwithstanding the Imperial Government has expressly instructed Gov. Douglas to call a Council of miners for the purpose. This is the way to open up a country and get a mining population to settle in it! Tax them by proclamation. When is a stop to be put to this ruinous policy? Are we to wait till the colony is deserted and its interests destroyed? Now is the time to act or never. The tax demanded is \$5 per month, while the Imperial Government recommended the well settled Australian system of a small miner's right tax, and an export duty.

FORT YALE, May 3, 1859.

**EDITOR BRITISH COLONIST:**—By your paper of 20th inst., I notice that Mr. Josiah Smith furnishes you with the items of a bill presented by Justice Whannell of this place to himself on the termination of a suit for a paltry sum of money alleged to be due by Smith as wages. If Mr. Smith considers the amount charged him "steep," what will he say to the following:

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Summons and two Witnesses.....	6.00
Docketing.....	1.50
Entering Judgment.....	1.50
Serving Summons.....	2.00
Two Subpoenas.....	2.00

Total.....\$39.00

\*No Clerk employed.

†Witnesses not paid.

Is not the above monstrous, illegal, and unjust! I will venture to say, Mr. Editor, that in no other country were such outrageous charges ever allowed or quietly acquiesced in by the appointing power. The case was one of assault and battery, and the time consumed by the magistrate in hearing it was about twenty minutes.

Yours respectfully, A MINER.

**THE Pioneer Democrat** of the 27th May, says that the ship *Torrend*, Gove, with spars, left Port Gamble for Hong Kong; also the *Jonny Ford*, with lumber for the Sandwich Islands.

Gov. Stevens has won friends by his appointments on the Sound.

It is said that the election of U. S. Senator for Oregon will be delayed a year. For the position there are many aspirants.

Kamiakin and Secoom, hostile Indians, were coming into Fort Vancouver, under the care of Mr. Owen, to see Gen. Harney. A final peace was expected through their favor.

**CLAIMS ON GREAT BRITAIN.**—William Webster claims for loss and damage and indemnity for lands purchased from chiefs of New Zealand from 1825 to 1841, and franchises pertaining thereto, and improvements alleged to have been made thereon, which claimant alleges were sequestered and taken from him by the British authorities after the assertion of the sovereignty of Great Britain over New Zealand in January 1840, the modest sum of six millions five hundred and ninety-three thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars.

The above gentleman is an old resident of Fort Townsend.

**QUICK TRIP.**—The Schooner *Carolina*, Jones, made the trip from Victoria to Belle View, Port Townsend, Steilacoom, Nisqually and Tumwater, Olympia, and back, in four days.

**CUSTOM HOUSE PERMITS.**—What was the reason the Hudson's Bay Company's officials in the Custom House refused Permits to merchants last year? Had it anything to do with the present state of things? Of course there was no favoritism—such a thing is impossible in Her Majesty's Custom House where there are no Hudson Bay associations.

**One Ay Kay**, a Chinese doctor, of the ring-tailed species, has recently advertised himself.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.



## PUBLIC NOTICE.

## BRITISH COLUMBIA.

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## NOTICE.

**A STRAY MARE WILL BE SOLD** ON SATURDAY, 11th June, 1859, at Strawberry Vale Farm, in order to pay the expenses for her care.  
MATTHEW ROWLAND.  
Victoria, June 1st, 1859.

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May 29



# UP COUNTRY.

The steamer Gov. Douglas arrived down on Monday afternoon, bringing about 100 passengers 70 of whom were miners. We hear that the river has risen, and has thus driven many miners off their claims. There was no communication higher than Fort Hope, where the greater portion of miners shipped on the steamer.

Several land speculators came down for the purpose of being present at the sale of the Queenborough lots.

**THE COURT.**—On Monday the admitted members of the bar in this Colony, the Attorney General and Mr. Crease took their seats at the inner bar full robed and rigged. The novelty of the sight caused a large number of spectators, many of whom had never seen a full-robed barrister. Our old recollections of Westminster Hall were forcibly brought back to us and for the moment we fancied ourselves in the presence of a Tindal or Denman. Upon casting our eyes aloft, however, we observed that Mr. Justice Cameron had not complied with the rules of Court considered by some people necessary to sustain the dignity of a learned Judge, and among other things that he had not kept up with his brethren at the bar in the external qualifications of English Judges. This defect if defect it can be called, will be perhaps remedied without delay. Some are sorry to see the head of the Judiciary in a British Colony neglect those insignia of dignity and learning, which the wisest of mankind have considered necessary for the due preservation of the decorum of an English Court, and which has been thought to conduce to the administration of justice. We understand that the bar will receive an addition of two barristers at the next sitting of the Court.

**INTERIOR COURT.**—This court sat on Monday, Judge Cameron presiding. The new Attorney General was present full robed and rigged, and from the novelty of his costume attracted some curiosity. One side of the table was reserved for barristers and the other for attorneys. The only case tried worth mentioning was that of Vitch vs. Herron, which was an action to recover £50 for services rendered by the plaintiff in the capacity of an accountant in one of the up-country towns. It appears that he was so engaged for a period of about three weeks. The defendant resisted the demand on the ground of over-charge, which was replied to on the part of the plaintiff that at the time he went up the river it was full of ice and he ran considerable risk of being drowned, and had experienced considerable hardships and inconveniences. A good deal of evidence was gone into to show the value of the plaintiff's labor, and Mr. Wight having addressed the Jury on behalf of the defendant, they returned a verdict for £35.

**INDIAN ALARM.**—Last Sunday some 80 or 90 northern Indians landed on Smith's Island, much to the alarm of its residents. Captain Jones, schooner Carolina, having met them between San Juan and Smith's Island, and perceiving that they meant harm, put his vessel about and ran for the Island, where he arrived before they landed, and gave Mr. Vail notice of danger. Mr. Vail and family went on board the Carolina to Fort Townsend. A man remained in the light house whom the Indians tried to induce to come out. On Sunday evening 13 volunteers left Port Townsend, on the schooner Carolina, for the island, where they arrived on Monday before daylight. The Indians asked if they wanted to fight, but the volunteers thinking it safest to watch them, declined. The Indians soon left for Belle Vue. It is supposed they wished to take vengeance for the incarceration of three of their braves, now in duress at Steilacoom.

The Assembly meets tomorrow at 11 o'clock A. M.

**"IRREGULARITIES."**—The inquiry is still proceeding. Several consultations have been held, but "the doctors" do not pronounce the patient "out of danger." It is thought the gangrene has extended so far into the *Corpus* that the dismemberment of a limb will not save the body. At present no one is allowed to approach the patient, as the slightest noise cannot be "permitted." The attendants have very wisely decided not to issue any bulletins which might alarm the public mind. At the last accounts a soothing draught had been administered. It is thought that if the patient recovers an immediate "change of air" will be recommended.

**CRICKET MATCH.**—A return match between the Fleet and the Victoria Pioneer Cricket Clubs, was played at Colwood yesterday. It resulted in favor of the V. P. C. Club, with 17 runs and base innings to spare.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.



QUEENSBOROUGH

## AUCTION

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THE SALE OF

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AT 12 O'CLOCK, M.

At the office of Mr. Selma Franklin, Auctioneer, York St.

The following are the Conditions of Sale:

1. The Lots will be offered for sale at the upset price of One Hundred Dollars, and sold to the highest bidder.
2. A Deposit of Twenty-five (25) per cent, to be paid to the Auctioneer at the time of purchase, the remainder to be paid by instalments of Twenty-five (25) per cent, on the first day of July, August and September next ensuing respectively.
3. Holders of Langley Lots transferred to the Queenborough under the terms of the Proclamation of 18th of February last, will be credited with the amounts paid for those Lots, in respect of any purchase at the present sale, and the receipts for such payments will be taken in lieu of deposit.
4. Those persons who paid in full for their Lots within the period originally prescribed in the conditions of the Langley sale, to pay any balance that may be due to the Crown on their present purchase, on the 1st of September. All other purchasers to complete their payments in accordance with the terms of condition No. 2, excepting as regards the deposit in the case of transfer from Langley.
5. Title-deeds will be issued in completion of payments and non-compliance with any of the foregoing conditions entails forfeiture.

By order of the Agent, Governor and Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

ROBERT BURNABY, Secretary.



PUBLIC NOTICE.

A SALE OF

## TOWN LOTS

—AT—

QUEENSBOROUGH, BRITISH COLUMBIA

Will take place at Victoria, Vancouver's Island, on

## THIS DAY!

WEDNESDAY, the 1st of June, at the office of Mr. S. FRANKLIN, Auctioneer, from which further particulars may be obtained hereafter.

By order of Agent, Governor and Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

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## Marine Intelligence.

PORT OF VICTORIA, V. I.

### ARRIVALS.

May 25—The Colman, Colman, Port Townsend.  
Schr. Colman, Colman, Port Townsend.  
Schr. Wild Pigeon, Sumner, Port Townsend.  
Schr. Lancelotti, Delany, Nanaimo.  
Schr. Matilda, Heron, Brooks, Port Townsend.  
Schr. Jesse, Matton, Port Townsend.  
Schr. C. S. Kipper, Sisco, Port Townsend.  
Ship J. C. Caswell, Taylor, Port Townsend.  
Ship Franklin Sherman, Whitford, Langley.  
May 26—Schr. Carolina, Jones, Port Townsend.

### CLEARANCES.

May 25—C. S. Kipper, Sisco, Port Townsend.  
May 26—Barque May F. Slade, Crowell, Port Townsend.  
Ship George, Slater, Port Townsend.

CURTIS & MOORE,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

## DRUGGISTS!

Have just received a large stock of  
Drugs, Chemicals, Perfumery,

## Patent Medicines,

Alcohol,  
Camphene,  
Burning Fluid,  
Window Glass,  
White Lead,  
Linseed Oil,  
Paints,  
Turpentine,  
Varnishes,  
Brushes,  
Nitric Acid,  
Quicksilver,  
Iron Retorts and  
Crucibles,  
Garden Seeds, Fruit, Flower, & field Seeds.

— ALSO —

A select stock of

FAMILY MEDICINES

— AND —

FANCY GOODS.

Which they will sell at the LOWEST PRICES.

WINDOW GLASS Cut to all Sizes.

Orders from the country will be filled on the most favorable terms, and at the LOWEST CASH PRICES.

CURTIS & MOORE,  
Yates street Victoria, V. I.

### GLORIOUS NEWS!

THE PROPRIETOR of the WASHINGTON RESTAURANT, on Government street near Johnson, takes this method to inform his friends and the public in general, that he has returned from San Francisco and taken charge of the above mentioned place, where he will be happy to receive and attend to the wants of his friends and the public, and is confident that justice will be done to every one, so that they call again.

424 THE KITCHEN is under the direction of an experienced Cook.

my 27-1st

CAUTION.

ALL PERSONS are hereby cautioned against buying or negotiating a certain note of hand given by Isaac Morton, payable on demand to Mr. Bowen or order, dated Victoria, May 31, 1859, for \$200, as it was fraudulently obtained, and without further consideration. ISAAC MORTON.

Victoria, May 29th, 1859.—my 27-3rd

### NOTICE

IN REPLY TO AN ADVERTISEMENT headed "Caution," in the British Colonist newspaper of this day, I hereby give public notice that the Promissory Note by Isaac Morton, in my favor for \$200, of date 31 May last, was granted for the balance of the accounts between the said Isaac Morton and myself, and which accounts he rendered, allowing himself indebted to me in that amount for my goods, which he had sold at Fort Yale, and because he could not find the money to pay me, I took his note.

WILLIAM BOWEN.

Victoria, 27th May 1859.

## IRON! IRON!

IN BARS AND SHEETS,

At Reduced Rates.

Drilling Steel, Wheel Shapes, Horse Nails,

BLACKSMITH'S TOOLS,

FOR SALE BY

JAMES E. CROWLEY.

JOHNSON STREET, nearly opposite Washington St.

### NOTICE

KNOW all men by these Presents, that I, Isaac Morton, presently residing in Victoria, V. I., and by my letter of attorney bearing date the 31st day of May 1859, did make, constitute and appoint John O'Connell, of the town of Victoria, aforesaid, my true and lawful attorney, for me and in my behalf to collect, recover and receive from all parties holding title deeds, documents or papers now of belonging to me, or which may belong to me hereafter, and all sums or sum of moneys which may now or hereafter be due to me by any parties whatsoever, now known as that I, the said Isaac Morton have revoked, countermanded, annulled and made void the said letter of attorney and all power and authority therein given or intended to be given to the said John O'Connell. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal on this 29th day of May 1859.

my 27-3rd

I-JAC MORTON.

## FREEMAN & CO'S EXPRESS.

ESTABLISHED, 1855. RECOGNISED, 1859.

Capital Stock, \$500,000

**CONNECTING** at New York, with N. S. LANSING & CO'S American and European Express, all parts of Europe, Europe, and all parts of the world. Express for the safe conveyance and delivery of packages in England and all the Continent of Europe. Sea Freight, Messageries, by every steamer to San Francisco, Washington, Baltimore, and New York, in 10 days. Freight, Treasuries, and all other articles, at the lowest rates of goods.

Valid notes, Bills Drafts and Acceptances. Forward Expresses by every steamer to Quebec, Montreal, and to all the principal ports in the Indies, at 12 1/2% Columbia.

WILLIAM ZEINER, Government Broker, between Yates and Johnson streets, IS CONSTANTLY IN RECEIPT OF FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC DRUGS, CHEMICALS, PERFUMERY, FANCY AND TOILET ARTICLES. Also a complete of all the PATENT MEDICINES. Orders from the interior filled with dispatch, and at the lowest market rates.

Particular attention paid to the Prescription Department.

my 20-1st

WM. ZEINER, Druggist and Apothecary.

ROBERT C. JANION, COMMISSION MERCHANT, Johnson Street, opposite Wharf Street, Victoria, V. I., and at Honolulu Sandwich Islands, and Cable Street Liverpool.

RESERVED MEATS and SOUPS, in 1 and 2 lb. tins. For sale by

my 16-1st

R. C. JANION.

DR. HARRIS, HAS REMOVED his Office to W. Yates Street, between Yates and Johnson streets, Victoria.

my 7-1st

A CHANCE.

TO LET A LARGE TWO STORY BUILDING in the BEST situation in Victoria, and being 1800 sq. ft. from the BANGOR of FIVE, it is well adapted for a Hotel or Auction Room. Size about 2800 ft. Second floor 1200 sq. ft. good large Rooms. CONVENIENT TO GOVERNMENT OFFICES, AND TO THE CITY.

Apply to JOSEPH BROTHERS, on the premises. It will be rented very low for immediately taken, on account of the owners leaving immediately for New Zealand.

my 18-1st

WHARFAGE, from this time forward, at Esquimaux, will be Fifty Cents per Ton, on freight landed from steamers and sailing vessels.

my 23-3rd

N. SELLER.

SEWING MACHINES.

MRS. ESTHEREDGE, having been appointed by Wheeler & Wilson as their Agent for the sale of their family Sewing Machines at Victoria, has a goodly stock of the best Machines, and very latest improvements, and will be happy to show them to all who are interested in the purchase. Money payable in Victoria. Instructions given free of charge. Humboldt Street, near foot of Government.

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**WHAT CHEERHOUSE,**  
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The table which speaks for itself will be supplied with every delicacy.

BOARD PER DAY, \$1 00

New Beds, Pulu Mattresses, single and double rooms, at \$1 00 and \$2 00 per week.

The NEW WING to the above House has been most tastefully fitted up with  
**WASH AND BATH ROOM.**

Also, a select private

## READING ROOM,

With a Library of choice books, Atlantic, European and California newspapers.

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HOT WHISKY PUNCHES, of the best quality, always ready to order, and a comfortable room to sit down in and enjoy it.

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d25 VICTORIA. 5m

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ALBERT WHARF,

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HAS LOTS IN NEARLY EVERY PART OF THE CITY FOR SALE

Also, A FEW GOOD FARMS ON THIS ISLAND.

Deeds drawn at reasonable rates. f1

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**Surveys, Plans, Deeds, Mortgages, and Agreements**

Prepared by competent parties attached to the office.

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ADVANCES MADE ON CONSIGNMENTS.

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FORT LANGLEY, BRITISH COLUMBIA. f12-6m

**GOLD PENS AND FINE CUTLERY,** at  
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DEALERS IN

HOSIERY, GLOVES,

AND GENTS FURNISHING GOODS.

**H**AVING opened our new store for the sale of these goods in all their variety, we would respectfully call public attention to our stock, in which will be found a full assortment of the justly celebrated DAVIS, JONES AND CO'S

**PATENT SHIRTS,**

The Genuine Alexandre

KID GLOVES,

In all sizes for Ladies and Gents.

WOOLLEN, COTTON AND MERINO

**HOSIERY**

For Ladies and Children.

Gents Merino, ilk and Cotton

**UNDERSHIRTS AND DRAWERS**

Also, a very excellent article of heavy SAXONY SHIRTS AND DRAWERS, of all desirable sizes.

**OVERSHIRTS,**

Linen, Cambrie and Silk Handkerchiefs,

Cravats and Ties,

all hemmed and ready for use.

**BOOTS AND SHOES,**

Hats and Caps,

Suspenders, Belts,

Socks, Comforters, etc.

It is our intention to keep the assortment of these Goods as complete as possible, and in such quantities as to accommodate the

Wholesale as well as the Retail Trade, and to sell them at reasonable prices for CASH.

N. MOORE AND CO.

Yates street, opposite Gov. reserve.

Victoria, Feb. 18. 1859.

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**SELL CHEKS AT SIGHT ON TALLANT & WILDE, Bankers, San Francisco.**

Furnish Bills of Exchange in sums to suit, and at current rates on New York and London.

Pay highest prices for Gold Dust.

Make advances on Gold Dust for Assay or Coinage in San Francisco.

Purchase Navy Bills and Bills on London.

FOR SALE.

An Invoice of Saddlery, received per ship Guadalete from London—consisting of superior stitched and quilted hogskin saddles, bridles, riding whips, harness, collars, trace chains, etc.

Pistol Holsters, with surcingles and patent leather founcers.

— ALSO —

75 1-16ths 'Marett Freres' Cognac, and Old Tom. Retorts, magnets, gold dust bags, etc. mh12

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and at

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**Window Glass**

CUT TO ALL SIZES.

Orders from the Country will be filled on the most favorable terms, and at the

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Bar and Sheet Iron;

Blacksmith's Tools;

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**SHIRTS,**

Of New York,

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**SHIRTS,**

Of Philadelphia,

Just received, 75 doz. ladies and gents pure Baltic Stockings and Hose, white and colored Marcellis Shirts, Derby and Saxony Wool Shirts and Drawers, also a fine lot of Baltic Shirts,

ON YATES STREET,  
OPPOSITE THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE,  
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Is now prepared to offer the largest and best assortment of

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Ever exhibited in Victoria, comprising all the latest styles of the celebrated Davis and Jones' superfine Patent

WHITE AND COLORED SHIRTS.

Is receiving by every steamer those beautiful Byron shirts, of all sizes, running from 13 to 20 inches around the neck.

Ladies and Gentlemen's Kid Gloves.

WE STUDY TO PLEASE.

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DEALER, AND

**BEDDING MANUFACTURERS,**

**A**RE now in regular receipt of assorted Furniture of a substantial quality, which they offer at reasonable rates, in part consisting of

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Mr. Pierce—recently of J. and O. S. Pierce, San Francisco—now residing there, will give his attention to the filling of special orders for any style of Furniture, thereby saving time, trouble and expense, to parties here.

**PULU! PULU!!**

Of this popular material for bedding we have an ample stock on hand, which we offer either by the bale or in bedding, at steady prices. It is universally conceded to be equal to feathers, and better than curled hair for this climate, at half the price of either. Our arrangements with the sole importer of it for California, are such that we are enabled to sell lower than it can be had elsewhere. Straw Mattresses—wholesale and retail; Curled hair do., made to order. j15

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WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN

BOOTS,

SHOES,

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FINDINGS,

Of every description.

Also—LADIES' SHOES, of all kinds.

Boots and Shoes made to order, and Repairing done at the shortest notice. d11

**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.**

**T**HE undersigned at the old stand, Government st. between Yates and Johnson sts., tenders his thanks to his numerous customers for the liberal share of patronage extended to him in his business, and takes this opportunity to assure them that nothing shall be wanting on his part to insure a continuance of their favors. He has just added to his already large stock of Ironmongery, Stoves, Tin and sheet Iron, Glass and crockery ware, and proposes to offer to the public every article in his line of business at a small advance on first cost.

Purchasers desiring anything connected with the above business, are invited to try his establishment, which he flatters himself will compare favorably with any other on the Pacific coast. MARTEN PRAG, Victoria, V. I., and 43 Clay st., San Francisco. j26

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AGENCY ON YATES STREET, BETWEEN WHARF AND GOVERNMENT.

**A** LARGE STOCK constantly on hand. Orders filled for Queenborough, and every other town on Fraser River.

Beer delivered in any part of the town of Victoria free of charge.

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S. I. Sugar, various qualities,  
S. I. Coffee, extra quality;  
Syrups and Molasses,  
Pulu, a very superior article for bedding,  
Sweet Potatoes, Beans,  
Pork, Pickled Tongues, etc., etc.

March 11, 1859. R. C. JANION. mh12

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Wholesale and Retail Dealers in

PAINTS, OIL, VARNISHES,

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San Francisco—proprietors of the Pioneer line of vessels for Victoria and Fraser River, will continue regularly to dispatch A. I. vessels for Victoria and Fraser River, and will take freight at the lowest rates. Orders to purchase goods to be shipped on vessels in our line can be sent through our agent

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Victoria. No commission will be charged to such purchasers.

Shippers of goods will find it to their advantage to give us early notice of any orders for goods sent, as we will thereby be enabled to fill up smaller vessels without delay.

JOHN DEWAR,

O. F. GEHRICK,

San Francisco.

**COLONIAL**

**RESTAURANT,**

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**T**HE Colonial Restaurant is now open; also a Private Saloon.

Feb. 5. 1859. feb5 1859.

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**BEEF 7 CTS. PER POUND.**

**150** TIERCES, EA H 320 LBS. NETT, FINE CORNED BEEF, for sale in lots to suit purchasers. Apply to H HOLBROOK, Hotel de France, or at the Wharf of J. T. Little, Wharf street. ap2m1

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